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MEA AWARDS GRANTS FOR PARKING LOT SOLAR WITH EV CHARGING SYSTEMS

MEA is providing funds for installation of solar photovoltaic canopy systems paired with electric vehicle chargers.

ANNAPOLIS, MD (August 13, 2014) ð Today the Maryland Energy Administration (MEA) announced the award recipients of the agencyôs new Parking Lot Solar PV Canopy with Electric Vehicle (EV) Charger Grant Program. This grant program provides financial incentives for solar canopy installations responsibly sited within parking areas. Successful recipientsôproposals had to include a canopy mounted solar array with a minimum capacity of 125 kilowatts (kW) and the integration of one or more electric vehicle charging stations with the solar array. MEA received applications from Maryland businesses, local governments, and educational institutions. Eleven projects were awarded grants, which will facilitate the installation of 6.6 megawatts of solar and 28 electric vehicle charging stations throughout the state.

According to Director Abigail Hopper, ñthe OôMalley-Brown Administration encourages the deployment of renewable energy systems in underused spaces by offering grants for the installation of solar carports. These grants will serve as a catalyst for over $22 million in economic development in seven (7) Maryland counties.ò Director Hopper expects that ñthe visibility, size, and innovative nature of these installations will increase public awareness of renewable energy, while bringing the State closer to its goal of receiving 20% of its energy from renewable sources by 2022.òGrants were awarded to:

FSK Land Corporation- of Baltimore, MD., a parking garage on Johns Hopkins Homewood Campus, for installation of a 676.5 kW canopy system with one EV charger;

Mt. Washington Campus South Business Trust of Baltimore, MD., a parking garage on Johns Hopkins Mt. Washington campus, for installation of a 693 kW canopy system with one EV charger;

CPC Residential, LLC of Baltimore, MD., a parking garage at the McHenry Row shopping complex, for installation of a 543 kW canopy system and one EV charger;

Verizon Maryland, LLC of Silver Spring, MD., for installation of a 957 kW canopy system with eight EV chargers at their data center and administrative building;

Federal Realty Investment Trust of Rockville, MD., a parking garage at the Pike & Rose mixed use development, for installation of a 260.5 kW canopy system with four EV chargers;

Melwood Horticultural Training Center of Upper Marlboro, MD., a career training center for people with disabilities, for installation of a 500.4 kW solar canopy system with one EV charger;

Lifetime Fitness of Columbia, MD., for installation of a 502.2 kW canopy system, and two EV chargers;

The Howard County Office of Sustainability Ellicott City, MD., for installation of a 452 kW canopy system with two EV chargers at the Public Information Office;

Maryland Environmental Service of Millersville, MD., an independent state agency, for installation of a 278 kW canopy system with three EV chargers on an employee and guest parking lot;

The County Commissioners of Queen Anne's County Centerville,MD., for installation of a 444.6 kW system with three EV chargers on an employee and guest parking lot; and

Volvo Powertrain North America of Hagerstown, MD., for installation of a 1,320 kW canopy system with three EV chargers at their manufacturing facility.

For more information about this initiative, please visit:

http://energy.maryland.gov/Commercial/PVEVProgram.htm

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The mission of the Maryland Energy Administration (MEA) is to promote affordable, reliable, clean energy. MEA's programs and policies help lower energy bills, fuel the creation of green collar jobs, address environmental and climate impacts, and promote energy independence.